



March 12, 2019

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Re: MCC FOIA 19-08 Evers Bierman Communication Request

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that the Millennium Challenge Corporation (MCC) has *denied* your request for information pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), 5 U.S.C. §552. December 5, 2019, you requested the following information:

“...All communications related to the White House-directed removal of then-Acting CEO Brock Bierman from his role leading MCC, on or about October 17, 2018²—including, but not limited to, communications with any eop.gov email addresses,” specifically:

- All political appointees at MCC
- All Corporate Officers, including:
 - Then-Acting CEO Brock Bierman
 - Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary Jeanne Hauch
 - Vice President, Department of Administration and Finance and Chief
- Financial Officer, Cynthia Huger
- Vice President, Congressional and Public Affairs, Karen Sessions
- Acting Vice President, Department of Policy and Evaluation, Thomas Kelly
- Acting Vice President, Department of Compact Operations, Kyeh Kim
- Acting Chief of Staff, Jonathan Brooks.”

MCC has determined to withhold the documents deemed responsive to your request pursuant to FOIA exemption 5 U.S.C. §552(b)(2), (b)(5), and b(6). Exemption 2 of the FOIA exempts MCC from mandatory disclosure records that are "related solely to the internal personnel rules and practices of an agency while exemption U.S.C. §552(b)(5) protects "inter-agency or intra-agency memorandums or letters which would not be available by law to a party other than an agency in litigation with the agency. Exemption U.S.C. §552(b)(6) Exemption 6 protects information about individuals in "personnel and medical files and similar files" when the disclosure of such information "would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

If you wish to discuss MCC's response or any aspects of your request, please contact Ann Barnes, MCC FOIA Public Liaison at foia@mcc.gov.

If you are not satisfied with the response to this request, you may file an administrative appeal administratively appeal by writing to:

Millennium Challenge Corporation
ATTN: FOIA Appeals Officer
1099 Fourteenth Street, NW, 7th Floor
Washington, DC 20005
e-mail at FOIA@mcc.gov

You must initiate your appeal in writing and it must be electronically transmitted or postmarked by MCC within ninety (90) days after your receipt of this notice. Your appeal must identify the designated reference number (FOIA 19-08) and include a statement that clearly specifies why you believe an error exists.

Alternatively, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer to resolve any issues related to your request. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road-OGIS,
College Park, Maryland 20740-6001
e-mail at ogis@nara.gov
telephone at 202-741-5770
toll free at 1-877-684-6448
facsimile at 202-741-5769

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at foia@mcc.gov.

Cordially,

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